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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

*In re* application of

Roy S. KRUPP

Serial No.: 09/920,427

Filing Date: 1 August 2001

Title: ***Eddy Current Sensor Capable  
of Sensing Through a  
Conductive Barrier***

Examiner: Walter E. SNOW

Group Art Unit: 2862

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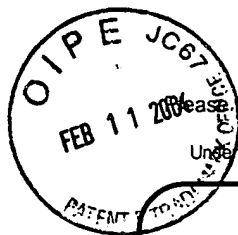
**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the outstanding Office Action herein mailed 7 October 2003. Enclosed herewith is a one-month Petition for Extension of Time authorizing debit of our deposit account for the amount of the requisite fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(a), thus making this Amendment a timely response.

Please amend the application as follows.



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Remarks

Enclosed one-month petition for extension of time includes deposit account debit authorization for extension fee payable under 37 CFR 1.117(a) and extends due date to 7 February 2004 (Saturday).

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